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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: John M.K. Daniel et al.

Serial No.: 09/735,332

Examiner: Nguyen, Vix

Filed: December 12, 2000

Group Art Unit: 371

For: DISTAL PROTECTION DEVICE AND METHOD

Docket No.: 1001.1351106

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This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the above-identified application.

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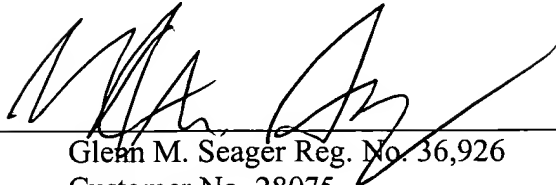
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Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M.K. DANIEL ET AL.

By their Attorney,

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Following is an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2003.

Please amend the application as follows: